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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith is: (1) a Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months up to and including March 15, 2004, together with the necessary fee; and (2) a Notice of Appeal, together with the necessary fee.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.